ane proclamatioun anent the

treſſonable Conſpiratouris and trublaris of the tranquillitie of the commoun welth now laitlie aſſemblit aganis the Kingis grace authoritie.

IAmes be the grace of God King of Scottis. To our louittis Martine Uddart ormond Purſeuāt, Hectour Trohope Maſer, Williame Lawſone Meſſingeris, our Schireffis in that part coniunctlie and ſeueralie, ſpecialie conſtitute, greting, Forſamekle, as it is weill and notoriouſlie knawin vnto all our louing and faithfull ſubiectis, how that efter the greit trublis raiſit in our tender age, throw the occaſioun of the lait abhominabill murther committit in the perſoun of vmquhile our derreſt Father. It pleſit the gudnes of God throw his mercy to grant vnto our ſaidis liegis efter the puniſſing and baniſchement of certane the cheif conſpiratouris and executuris of the foirſaid murther, ane repoſe and quyetnes, and ane happy ſtait of gouernment in this our Realme be renunciatioun and dimiſſioun of the Crowne in our handis be our derreſt mother, approuit, confirmit, and ratifyit be the thre Eſtatis of our Realme, lauchfullie conuenit in Parliament, and be the godlie and verteous miniſtratioun of Juſtice begun and practyſit be ſic as war lauchfully callit and appointit vnto the Regiment of vs, our Realme and liegis, to the greit conſort and quyetnes of all ſic as tenderit the honour and glorie of God, pe quyetnes and repoſe of all our faithfull ſubiectis the mantenance of godly and vprycht leuaris, and the puniſchement of all criminallis & notorious tranſgreſſouris. Quhill now of lait that certane treſſonable, ſeditious, and wickit perſonis mouit outher be particular haitrent aganis vtheris our gude and faithfull ſubiectis, or than allurit be eſperance of ſum particular gayne, profeit, or auancemēt, quhilk thay pretend to obtene be meanis of the trubling of our obedience and authoritie, & inquyeting of the repoſe and quyet ſtate of our gude and faithfull ſubiectis, hes mouit & perſwadit diuers and ſindrie our liegis to conuene thame ſelfis togidder treſſonabilly aganis vs and our authoritie, and for impeſching and eſtaying of vs, and our derreſt couſing James Erle of Murray Lord Abirnethie, Regent of our Realme and liegis, in the trew and faithfull adminiſtratioun of Juſtice & puniſcheing of tranſgreſſouris, quhairin we had ſa happylie begun, to the greit greif of, vs our ſaid Regent, and all our faithfull ſubiectis, quha ſa lang had lukit for the ſame without tymous remeid be fundin thairfoir. And becauſe the ſaidis conſpyratouris as hes appeirit to vs and our ſaid derreſt couſing, intendis ſa far as in thame lyis to vſurpe and oppone thame ſelfis aganis our perſoun, power, and authoritie be way of deid and armis vnder the pretence and cullour of our ſaid derreſt mother, quha hes not only denudit hir handis thairof in our fauouris, & we eſtabliſchit thairin, as is weil knawin to our Eſtatis quha hes approuin the ſaid dimiſſioun. Bot als our ſaidis thre Eſtatis in reſpect thairof, and for diuers vtheris greit & maiſt vechtie cauſis knawin and perfitely prouin vnto thame be thair ſēſiament in Parliamēt, hes fundin and declarit the ſame lauchfull and perfite in all reſpectis. Now we ar cōſtrenit to mantene and fortifie be force of armes our perſoun and royall authoritie, aganis ſic treſſonabill conſpyratouris and vnnaturall ſubiectis to vs thair natiue Prince and King.

¶Our will is heirfoir, and we charge zow ſtraitly and commandis, that incontinēt this our letteris ſene ze pas to the mercat Croces of our Burrowis of Lanerk, Ruthirglen, Glaſgow, Dumbertane, Striuiling, Linlithgow, Air, Jreuin, Edinburgh, Hadingtoun, Duns Dzumfreis, Rorburgh, Selkirk, Peblis. And thair be oppin proclamatiō in our name and authoritie comēndo & charge all and ſindrie our liegis & ſubiectis within this our Realme, that nane of thame tak vpon hand to ryſe, aſſiſt, ſortifie, mantene, or in ony wayis obey the ſaidis conſpiratouris or ony pretendit authoritie of our ſaid derreſt mother, vnder quhatſumeuer cullour or pretence forgeit and pretendit be thame in maner, & for the cauſis foirſaidis. vnder the pane of treſoun and leſemaieſtie, and to be repute and haldin perpetually treſſonable conſpyratouris aganis our perſon and royall authoritie, & to incur the panis dew thairfoir. And alſwa that ze in our name and authoritie, declair be oppin proclamatioun at the mercat Croces reſpectiue, abone ſpecifyit, that all thay quhome thay haue ellis ſuborne, perſwadit, ſutit, and allurit to thair treſſonable conſpyraceis and interpryſis, aganis vs our perſoun & authoritie royall, lauchfully eſtabliſeheit be our Eſtatis in Parliamēt, as ſaidis. That thay, and euerie ane of thame, within. xlviij houris nixt efter that this our Proclamatioun ſall cum, or be all gude apperance may cū to thair eiris and knawlege. Cum and declair thair occaſioun, and confeſs thair errour befoir our ſaid derreſt couſing and Regent, as trew and faithfull ſubiectis aucht & ſuld do vnto thair lauchfull and naturall Prince and King. Promitting in the word of ane Prince to ſe as ſall in that maner, and within the ſaid tyme acknawlege thair errour & offence, we of our Princely mercy and affectioun quhilk we beir vnto our faithfull and trew ſubiectis, will, and ſall be our ſaid derreſt couſing and Regent reſſaue thame to our fauoure and mercy, and neuer impute vnto thame the foirſaid cryme in ony tyme cuming, thay doing thair deirfull dewtie and obedience as appertenis gude and faithfull ſubiectis to do to vs and our ſaid Regent, during our minoritie in all tymes heirefter. Certifyand alſwa all vtheris that ſall obſtinatly and wilfully abyde and perſiſt in the treſſonable conſpyraceis foirſaidis, vnder quhatſumeuer cullour or pretence of Ignorance, yat the ancient lawis and panis thairof ſalbe execute be vs aganis thame, and euerie ane of thame accordyng thairto. As ze will anſwer to vs thairupon, the quhilk to do we cōmit to zow coniunctly and ſeuerally our full power, be thir our letteris delyuering thame be zow dewly execute and Indorſat againe to the beirar. Geuin vnder our Signet and ſubſcriuit be our ſaid derreſt couſing and Regent foirſaid. At Glaſgow the .vij. day of Maij. 1568. and of our Regne the firſt zeir.

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